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## Students Attend SC Conference

by Miriam Martin

In a driving rain Saturday morning at 5:00, twelve Taylor students started for the Leadership Development Conference of the National Students Association at Capital University, Columbus, Ohio.

Despite disheartening weather, which culminated in a tornado at Columbus, the conference proved very valuable to the group, which received insights into the workings of NSA. Those attending were as follows: Marlene Foura, Cleo Murdoch, Grady Rogers, Larry Thomas and Ron Valutis; sophomores, Ruth Malson, Miriam Martin, Paul Millikin and Eloise VanNatta; juniors, Ed Dodge and Don Martin; and senior, Curt Smith.

The essence of the program was student leadership, with emphasis on its need in colleges, its relationship to student government and its characteristic qualities. Development of interest in student council, functions of student council committees, and parliamentary procedure were discussed as topics in several workshops.

Group dynamics, among other psychological approaches to this type of work, was brought out by speakers Elmer Paul Brock, past national officer and Ray Farabee, NSA vice-president and by a panel of Capital U. students.

To help spark the day, the college cafeteria gave a luncheon and hospitable fellow students provided fellowship. Thanks is in order to them and to Taylor's student council that made attendance at the conference possible.

## Ancient Pottery Gift Displayed in Library

by Charlotte Justice

On display in the library is a gift recently received from Senefelder Vallejo of Peru, South America. He is the father of the student by the same name, more generally known as "Jo," who was here two years ago.

The gift is a piece of pottery estimated to be over 1,000 years old, which Mr. Vallejo has presented to the museum of Taylor University. This particular piece, called "Haucos," is of the type which was buried with the Peruvian Indian for his use on the long trip he was thought to have taken after leaving this life.

## Jane Ruth's Battle Ends After Life of Testimony

Jane Ruth, nineteen-year-old Taylor freshman, died Sunday, February 19, in her hometown, Hamilton, Pennsylvania. The memory of her courage and her radiant Christian testimony lingers in hearts on Taylor's campus.



Thus ended Janie's four-year battle with cancer. The dread disease had been fought in two serious operations, the first necessitating the amputation of her leg in February, 1952. However, Janie's indomitable spirit. Her the operations did not restrict popularity at Punxsutawney Area High School is indicated by her designation as the 1954 football queen. Janie had spent recent summers counseling in youth camps. Her ambition was to become a teacher and to work with young people.

Jane Ruth's funeral was held at the Methodist Church in Hamilton, February 22; her parents, 3 brothers and a multitude of friends survive. Taylor was privileged to have Janie's presence on campus this school year until she was forced to return home

## Choir Spends Weekend Singing in Detroit Area

by Miriam Culp

There we were on the platform Saturday night at Detroit's "Voice of Christian Youth" in the chapel of the masonic temple. Prof. Skinner was being introduced by the director of VCY, Ed Darling, to 2,000 youth. As the curtains were opened the chapel lights were turned out and flood lights focused on us—Taylor University's A Cappella Choir. For the next 25 minutes we sang several numbers interspersed with testimonies from Carol Coyner and Duane Cuthbertson. Taking our places in the audience we enjoyed the singing of the chorales directed by Gary Moore. "Battle Hymn of the Republic" (an arrangement) was beautifully presented by trumpeters and the chorales with two American flags and the Christian flag waving in the spotlighted center. Dr. James DeWeerd of Cadle Tabernacle in Indianapolis brought the evening message. Our hearts rejoiced at the sight of many teen-agers coming forward during the invitation.

Sunday morning found us at the First Baptist Church in Pontiac. Since the morning worship service is broadcast we sang two numbers while on the air. Members of the church entertained us in their homes for Sunday dinner.

To end the week end trip we sang Sunday night in St. Paul's Methodist Church in Highland Park. This is Ken Zigmond's home church where we spent Saturday night and had supper Sunday evening in various homes of the members.

Fellowshipping together on these trips is an enriching experience in our college life. We are glad that Mrs. Skinner came with Prof. Skinner on this trip.

### NOTICE

Sophomore Comprehensives

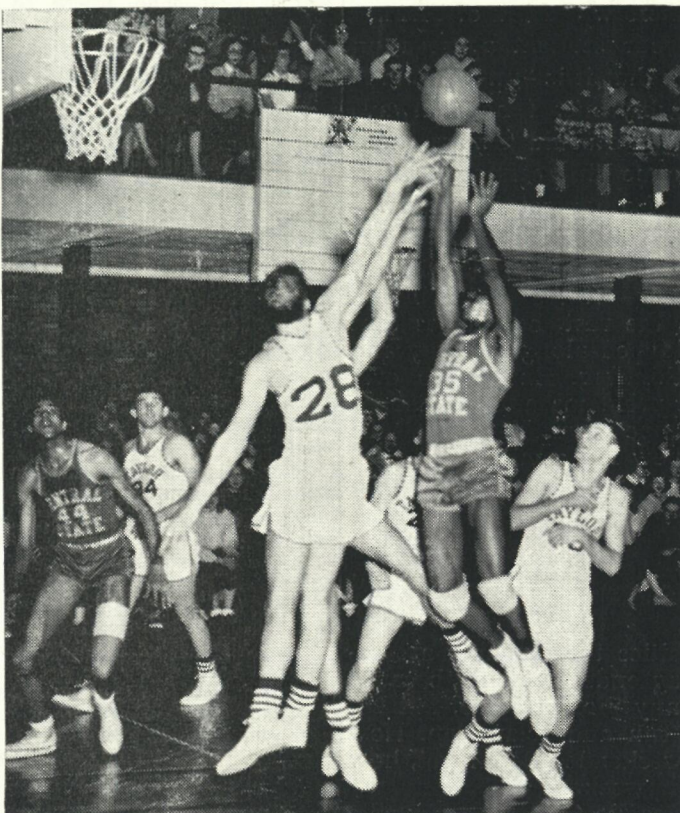
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"Who's going to get the ball" seems to be the theme from this picture of Taylor's last game of the season against Central State. Incidentally, Taylor lost 89-72.

## Shakespearean Festival Coming May 3 and 4

On Thursday and Friday, May 3 and 4, the fourth annual Shakespearean Festival will be held on the campus of Taylor University. The student-faculty Fine Arts Committee with Professor Howard Skinner as its chairman, is in charge of the organization of the festival which will include a variety of features and programs designed to stimulate interest on campus in the drama and poetry of the great Elizabethan playwright. Highlighting the festival this year will be a student production of "The Merchant of Venice" directed by Professor Gentry Crisp of the Department of Speech.

Chapel on Thursday morning, May 3, will be given over to Dr. Bob Jones, Jr., of Bob Jones University who is a well known Shakespearean actor and interpretive reader. Professor Richard

two weeks before Christmas. Jane had entered college last fall realizing that she probably could not stay long. Her complete trust in God's will and not her own was an inspiration to all who knew her. Janie's favorite verse was Philippians 4:13.

One of Jane's last letters reveals her enduring cheerfulness: "... have fun, trust in the Lord, and pray for me." A group of Janie's Taylor friends plan to perpetuate her memory by purchasing two Christian books about cancer and placing one in the Taylor library, the other in her hometown library. The prayer of each Taylor student might well be to have a Christian witness of comparable effectiveness. Truly, Jane Ruth still lives "the Life that Lives."

## Lack of 2-3 Vote Defeats New SC Budget Proposal

The proposal of the Student Council to eliminate the Student Organizations Budget was defeated in the student vote of last Friday. The measure came within 34 votes of the two-thirds vote necessary for its adoption as prescribed by the Student Constitution.

A total of 372 votes were cast in the student assembly after a spirited discussion from the floor. Expressed sentiment from the floor was three-to-one against the proposed change. Tallied for council's plan were 214 votes as 158 students voted against change.

The proposal was presented by President Ron Woodward and further explained as several students, representing the various categories of students asked questions in the form of complaints. The advantages of the new plan were thus presented by Woodward, assisted by Rita Lindholm, secretary for the Student Council. Prof. Fosse provided the humorous musical background as Kay Brenneman, Roland Coffey and Ray Isely asked Woodward lead questions.

In a short period for questions and comments from the floor, objections were raised as to the unfair method of presentation of the new proposal and also specific objections to the proposal itself. Woodward countered these objections ably, but apparently not to the satisfaction of 158 students.

The Council has no immediate plan of revision which might be acceptable to a two-thirds majority of the student body. Woodward expressed hope for a compromise, although he could not indicate what such a compromise might involve.

## "African Safari" To Show March 7

"Your African Safari." This is the title of a film whose scenes depict the wild-life wonderland and the beauty and excitement of nature as found 10,000 miles down and across Africa. In this film primitive Africa is personified by the witch doctor, whose head-ache remedy is "the fin of a fish, the tail of a rat, the head of a snake, and the foot of a fowl." Patients are to "tie these in a bundle, place beneath the nose and inhale deeply." Presto, the headache is supposed to disappear. Furthermore, the work of medical missions is pointed up in this 40 minute color production, as a visit is taken to a hospital where lepers are cleansed. Then the film moves right into an operating theatre to witness the miracle of sight restored to a blind Mohammedan through skill and devotion of a missionary surgeon.

The time of showing of this film will be Wednesday, March 7, at 7 P.M. The place will be Shreiner Auditorium. All Taylor students and faculty are cordially invited to attend this release which is being presented by the Science Club.

Thus far this year the Science Club has had well-attended meetings, which are on the first Wednesday night of each month. The programs of the meetings have consisted of various experiments performed by the Physics and Chemistry Departments, and interesting slides of various sections of the United States shown by Miss Wood. As a special activity the club took a trip to the aquarium near Marion one Saturday afternoon during the first semester.

Fosse of the Taylor University Music Department will give a lecture entitled "The World Shakespeare Festival Movement." This lecture will supplement an elaborate exhibit he has designed of production photographs from the leading English speaking Shakespearean theatres in England, Canada, and the United States.

Another noteworthy feature of this year's Shakespearean Festival will be a showing of the moving picture made by Sir Lawrence Olivier of the chronicle play, "Henry V." This film is regarded to be the greatest Shakespearean film ever produced. The two-day festival will also include lectures, panel discussions, and readings by professional actors. Vocal and instrumental music of the Elizabethan period will be performed by faculty and students of the Music Department under the direction of Professor Howard Skinner.

## Unseen Work Makes For Success in Opera

Perhaps no theatrical activity is more complicated and demanding than an operatic production.

Few people besides musicians can have any realization of the extraordinary amount of rehearsal time involved in preparing the singers for their parts and the staggering responsibility of the conductor in bringing the combined vocal and instrumental forces together into a unified whole.

Yet the success of this activity would be nullified from a theatrical point of view if the musical aspect of the operatic production did not have an equally detailed and carefully executed theatrical production complimenting it.

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## THINK - If You Dare!

At Taylor this year there are about 500 students—five hundred bundles of individuality wandering around on a small College campus. Some of these students think, and when they think, they express themselves and inform others of their opinions, likes and dislikes. But then we have the majority—those who do little if any thinking of their own, but still they can't tolerate the opinion of anyone else. Such people feel secure only when their thoughts coincide with the thoughts of the majority. Conformity is their pet word, and woe to the personality who dares to violate in thought, word or deed the customs, beliefs or standards set up by the many.

Many Taylor students have deep convictions about certain things, but they lack courage to stand up and defend the very things that they believe. They are afraid to stand up and speak their piece, because they fear what their fellow students or even faculty members will think of them.

There is also a segment of our student aggregation that holds to the strong conviction that it is "un-Christian" to criticize anything, anywhere, anytime. I have always felt that any position or accepted plan could always stand the "pot shots" of any critic. If something cannot weather the comparisons and evaluations of other points of view—then that "something" is lacking.

Our campus needs to hear a few voices that will cry out with their heartfelt convictions—voices that will not cry out just to be different than the rest, but voices that will cry out because they have stopped along the way and have done some old-fashioned thinking. Have YOU ever stopped to consider some of our problems and challenges as a school? If not, do so sometime soon. You might be surprised how refreshing a few new ideas might feel. . . .

*The Editor*

## Ken's Korner

*by Ken McGarvey*

At most colleges and universities the students are relieved when their last class Friday ends, not only because it is two days before they have any more classes, but because the weekend brings them fun and relaxation. How do Taylor students look at their weekends? Better yet, how CAN Taylor students look at their weekends?

Friday night, after Holiness League (for those few who attend) what do we have?—maybe some film, or maybe a program of some kind at Shreiner. But what do we have of value? These occasionally are good—don't get me wrong, but most of the time, if we were asked a week later about the program we would not even remember what it was about. This shows that there is definitely something lacking.

### NOTHING TO DO

Saturday nights are the same, only worse. There seems to be nothing to do. The few programs we do have are hardly worth attending. So comes the familiar cry "What can we do?"

Whose fault is this? The fault lies mostly in the classes. The students complained about the lack of activities when we had the literary societies. They have since disbanded and the classes are not having any more activities than they were. And there are few other organizations on campus that are big enough to sponsor many all-school activities. True, the classes are limited in the number of all-school functions they sponsor, but no class uses its full limit.

Also, very often the classes restrict their activities to their own class. When the schedule is put up only one activity is listed for a Friday or Saturday evening. This often leaves three classes with nothing to do but twiddle their thumbs.

### LET'S DO SOMETHING

Let's get our class officers on the ball. If the class officers won't take some initiative in the matter, let's get some officers who will. If you have an idea take it to your class president. He is often the only person on the cabinet who is doing anything anyway. And if he will not do anything about it tell him (not everybody else) that he is not doing his job. He will not admit it, of course, but he might have enough conscience to realize in his own heart that he is not assuming the responsibility he pledged he would.

But the class officers are not the only ones who must co-operate. We must support these functions. We often say we do not attend various activities because they are never any good anyway. That may be true, but if we put enough pressure on our class officers to organize worthwhile activities, and if they do something about it we must support these activities.

This is not the only solution to the problem. Maybe you have a better one. If so, do something about using it. But something must be done about the present weekend situation on campus.

## Toward Wisdom

*by Charlotte Justice*

A sign of adolescence and one of the greatest things to be overcome by one seeking to attain adulthood is an affinity of extremes. Often one thinks in terms of extremes without even being conscious of doing so; and it is usually for the purpose of satisfying a desire to react or revolt against some other line of thinking, probably an extreme one. It takes a big soul to discriminate between extremes, and thus obtain the good available from both and at the same time be nearer original truth in his own thinking; this is a large task, but I believe it is facing us as the adults of the immediate future. The task is perhaps impossible when viewed in the light of human competency, but "if any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, who giveth to all men liberally. . . ."

God, help me to be normal and approachable without being secular.

Help me to carry a burden for lost souls without being sad or depressed (and depressing).

Help me to have a healthy sense of humor without being superficial.

Help me to be conscientious about my own work without being selfish with my time.

Help me to have convictions without being a bigot or a dogmatist.

Help me to be an individualist regarding truth without being a skeptic.

Help me to be adaptable without being comelian-like.

Help me to love without being indulgent.

Help me to uphold truth without being harsh.

Help me to be spiritual without being impractical.

Help me to practice self-denial without self-pity.

Help me to have utmost faith in thee, without losing sight of my own responsibility.

Amen

## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

This letter is written for a two-fold purpose. In part, it will be somewhat of an apology, and in part, it will be a clarification of a position on the recent amendment of the constitution. The lengthy discussion of the latter will not imply a precedence in importance over the former.

In the use of the word "filibuster" in the assembly last Friday, it may have been (and was in some cases) construed that my using it was a personal affront on Ronnie Woodward. This was not the motive and perhaps merits an apology, especially if the word "filibuster" was used in its strict connotation as a deliberate attempt to hinder legislative deliberation. I happen to know that it wasn't a deliberate attempt to hinder discussion, so to that extent, the accusation was unfair. However, the total effect was the same, i.e., the obstruction of what I believed to be the best legislation.

### Objections Raised

What are some of the objections against the proposal now that the vote is over?

(1) It would reduce the total capital (money) of the student body. The "power of the purse," in other words, is greatly reduced.

(2) The slogan, "You will save \$5.00," was overworked. Money not spent is not necessarily money saved, as, for example, any dentist will tell you.

(3) It can be glibly said that if a music or science club is not active, it ought to die. And so have all ages (except the Periclean) regarded the arts and non-materialist pursuits. Art must always be subsidized to survive, and we probably must do it here.

(4) Related to the above reason is the fact that such clubs should be offered as part of a liberal arts program, however weak they may be. If student subsidization will keep them intact, that should be done.

## Tower Topics

Across the campus much emphasis is now being placed upon special prayer requests through the channels of the class prayer meetings and the Thursday evening all-college prayer service. This is healthy and it belongs in the life of a Christian college campus. Certainly there are many needs and it is helpful to direct our praying along the lines of specific interests and needs.

### Jesus Teaches Men to Pray

There is, however, a phase of true prayer which is often overlooked in the midst of the many specific requests and urgent needs. This is an aspect of prayer which Jesus attempted to teach His disciples and to demonstrate for them by His own life. It is presented in the Gospel by Luke, Chapter 11, verses 1-13. "He was praying in a certain place and when He ceased one of His disciples said to Him, Lord, teach us to pray—". In response to this Jesus proceeded to teach them, not so much how to pray, but to pray by living the kind of life which is, in itself, prayer. He referred only briefly to the petitions which relate to the needs of the individual, and then went on to relate prayer to a life of intercessory interest in and concern for the welfare of others.

### Jesus Presents Two Friends

A man went to a friend who had plenty and asked for three loaves to share with another friend who had come to his house and had found him without anything to set before him. The friend who had plenty was not under obligation to arise in the middle of the night and to respond to the request. However, because of his importunity, because of his intercession, because of his unselfishness, he arose and gave him as many loaves as he needed. The appeal for "bread" to share with others who are in need is one that God cannot resist. Therefore, he who asks receives and he who seeks finds, provided the motivation is genuinely unselfish.

### The Prayer Life

In the sense in which Jesus taught His disciples to pray, prayer is the Christian life and the Christian life is prayer. The impact and influence of a life of this kind is beneficial to all who are contacted by it. As we carry on our activities here on Taylor's campus we also stand between the two friends. We have a friend in Christ who is the answer to every need and there are others about us who need Him so much. If we live the prayer life, power may constantly flow through us from Christ to others who are in need. This kind of a life is a benediction in any community but it is all too rare. On a campus such as ours it ought to be the norm.

*Milo Rediger*



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(5) The argument that the S. O. B. is a form of socialism is irrelevant. And, that argument was used. When a student pastor is advised against paying for someone else's club, the implication is anti-socialism, even if the word socialism is not used.

(6) Admittedly only a few may not be able to afford monthly dues to belong to a club, but these few are valuable.

### Hearing Stands or falls

I honestly felt that the assembly was presenting only one side of the question. Naturally, the Student Council was for the measure, so that it wasn't wrong to "push" the measure, but there was too much "push." Too many underclassmen who know little or nothing of budgetary problems of upper-class situations were enticed by the \$5.00 saving slogan. Furthermore, the discussion period was short, although we in the balcony were not aware of school time. Every decision, in the realm of public property, demands a public hearing. Such a hearing allows a measure to stand or fall on its own merits, and thus may this be the sturdy legs that any legislative change stand upon, here and elsewhere.

Bill Plumb

## Leap Year Exchange

Little did Julius Caesar realize the peril to which he was subjecting his gender when he introduced the first leap year in 46 B.C., the first year having 366 days. Since that time, every four years, a man's life is not his own.

According to the **Goldsboro Hi News**, in 1828 a law was passed in Scotland that allowed a young lady to ask a gentleman for a date or even to propose to him during leap year. A little later a similar law was passed in France. In the 15th century the custom was legalized in Genoa and France.

In keeping with the spirit of the year, schools all over the country are holding social events in which the girl is privileged to invite the male of her choice.

The **Goldsboro Hi News** issued a special bulletin "Allus Americanus Boyus" to aid the "huntresses" in quest of the animals in season. Methods for catching these wary prizes include: visiting natural habitats, wearing Revlon's "living lipstick" and dangling keys to a late model car in the victims' eyes. Happy hunting, girls.



# 4th West Sets Pace in Intramurals by Half Game

There were quite a few upsets in Intramural basketball last week. To start the week, 4th West trounced 2nd East 80-43. Lockwood had 21 for 4th West, Rabine 11, and Bowman 10. Meyer collected 16 for 2nd East, and Roth 11. The Married Men lost a close game to the Commuters 48-46. Joe Kulaga led the Commuters with 18 points, and he also scored the winning basket. Dvorak was next in scoring with 12. Terrel led the Married Men with 13, and Rapson had 10.

On Wednesday, February 22, 3rd West made an easy game out of it by defeating the Campus boys 61-29. Harris led 3rd West with 17, and Joe Smith had 12. Glenn Crabb led the Campus scoring with 15 points. In the second game 3rd East won their first game of the season. They beat 1st East 57-40. Cuthbertson was high point man with 24, and Housaman followed with 10. Lantz, who has usually been averaging around 20 points, was held to a total of 9.

On Thursday 4th West bested the Campus boys 47-36. Lockwood had 19, and Martin and Rabine both scored 10. Crabb led the losers with 17. The Campus boys

kept pace with 4th West throughout the game, but 4th West proved to be the better team. In the last game of the day 2nd West beat The Married Men 68-56. Chuck Fraley had a hot day, as he pushed through 32 points. The next highest scorer was Royer with 10. The Married Men's high point man was Tillinghast with 16, Cesler had 11. The Married Men are a much improved ball club as compared to the beginning of the year. 4th West poured it on 3rd East by whipping them 56-27. Riley Case was high point man for 4th West with 19. Jack Rabine, who has proved to be very accurate in his shooting scored 15 points. Jack's terrific rebounding has helped the 4th West team very much this season.

The Commuters slaughtered 1st East 98-26. The Commuters now hold two Intramural records. The first one is 98 points in one game, and beating a team by 72 points. Joe Kulaga now holds the individual scoring record for Intramural play this year with 40 points. Kulaga had 40, Dvorak scored 12, Trout 15 and Love 12. Bates led 1st East with 12 points.

One of the big upsets of the week was the Married Men defeating 3rd West. The Married Men, who have had about a 500 season beat 3rd West. This was 3rd West's second defeat of the season. This game was a very close and exciting game, since the score was close all through it. Four men hit for double figures on the Married Men's team. Terrell 18, Cesler 14, Tillinghast 13, and Rapson 11. The Married Men had control of the backboard during most of the game. Joe Smith led 3rd West with 17, Summey had 14. 2nd East kept the trend going by tromping 3rd East 53-15. Myers led with 21, Merrillfield 14 and Roth 10. Housaman had 19 for 3rd East.

4th East played their best game of the season in defeating 2nd West by a score of 57-45. Schwanke played a very good defensive game and also led the team in scoring with 20 points. Hershey played a brilliant defensive game as he held Chuck Fraley to a total of 10 points. Fraley usually gets about 20 a game. With Fraley being stopped 2nd West couldn't seem to get working together the entire game.

Roger Peck was tied with Fraley with a total of 10 points. For 4th East True had 10, Allison 11, Faris 4 and Hershey scored 7. For 2nd West Peck and Fraley had 10, Brownsberger and Key had 16, Royer 11, and Price 2. This game was a very important one for both teams. As a result of this game there is now a three way tie for second place. 3rd West, 2nd West, and 4th East all have won 5, and lost 2. 4th West leads the league right now with 6 wins and 2 losses.

The three teams tied for second place have two games remaining, while 4th West just has one game left. 4th West will play the Married Men. This game will probably have a lot to do in deciding the basketball champions. The Married Men have been improving all year. The addition of Cesler to the Married Men's team has strengthened them. The Married Men have been up and down all season, so if they have a good day they might be very troublesome to 4th West. While the addition of Cesler had helped the Married Men, Tommy Lockwood has greatly helped the 4th West team. Tom has a deadly two hand shot, and 4th West is

very strong on rebounds with Rabine, Johnson and Martin.

Delmar Schwanke has been chosen player of the week. He is from Mentor, Ohio and in high school he played basketball and baseball. Delmar is a very good defensive man, and is the spark-plug of the 4th East team. His accurate shooting paved the way for 4th East to upset 2nd West Saturday as he scored 20 points. Schwanke wears a real cool hat to all the games 4th East plays. He says he wore the hat to the first game just to be different, and there were so many remarks made about it that he decided he would wear it the rest of the season. He is majoring in Math and Chemistry. Delmar is president of the A Cappella choir, and a member of the men's chorus.

Team	W	L	Pts
1. 4th West	6	2	281
2. 3rd West	5	2	254
3. 4th East	5	2	242
4. 2nd West	5	2	251
5. Commuters	4	3	209
6. 2nd East	4	3	212
7. Married Men	3	4	174
8. 1st East	2	5	168
9. Campus	1	6	161
10. 3rd East	1	7	187

## Swami Contest Continues for Baseball

Thus far we may consider the swami contest a tremendous success. The interest among swamis has been high and because of this success the contest will be continued through the baseball season. The facts that merit the label of "success" for the contest are: Interest has been high. As many as 60 swamis have entered predictions for a single game. There are some 68 swamis who have received points in the contest. To date there has been a grand total of 359 swami points awarded to those who made predictions deserving reward. These are just a few of the facts which worked together to bring about the decision to run the contest through baseball season.

Obviously there will have to be new rules governing the contest for baseball or we would probably have several perfect scores for each game. To avoid this and to possibly promote a little more interest, the swamis will have to predict the number of hits, the number of runs, and

the number of errors for both teams. The rules on the number of points for the three closest swamis will remain the same as in the past. Prediction places will be determined in the following manner: First, we will find the difference between the number of predicted errors for each team and the actual number of errors. Second, we'll find the difference between the number of hits predicted and the actual number of hits. Third, we will determine the difference between the predicted score and the actual score. Finally, we will add these three figures together and the resulting total will be how many points the prediction was away from a perfect guess.

There are two rules which will be changed however. During basketball season the members of the team weren't allowed to enter their predictions because of the effect it might have had on team spirit. So far a number of the fellows who will be playing on the baseball team have been

right up in the top ranks of the swami contest. Because it doesn't seem fair to disqualify them now, especially after their enthusiasm and faithfulness in the contest, we have decided to let the baseballers enter their predictions. The one restriction placed on them is that they must choose Taylor to win. This is to keep the contest from hurting team spirit. The other new rule concerns perfect predictions. As in the past a perfect guess will be worth 10 points, but a swami will not have to predict hits, runs, and errors (all three) correctly to get a perfect guess. Instead, swamis will only have to predict hits and runs perfectly for it to be counted as a perfect guess. You don't have to predict perfectly the number of errors to get a perfect score.

If the new rules, as set forth above, aren't clear to you please talk to Paul Millikan and he will do his best to help you to understand them.

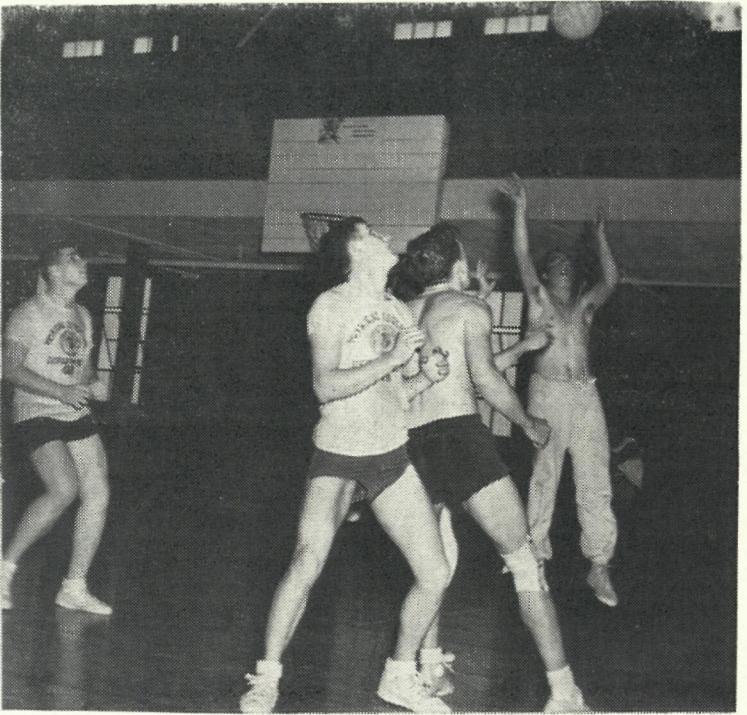
The Echo Sports Staff has been working in cooperation with the Grill on the contest. The Grill is buying the trophy which will be awarded to the "Swami of the Year" at the close of baseball season.

For the benefit of you swamis who don't know exactly how you stand, here is a list of the top 10.

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|--------------|----|
| 1. Merz      | 21 |
| 2. Crabb     | 17 |
| 3. Chernenko | 16 |
| 4. Spears    | 15 |
| 5. McGarvey  | 15 |
| 6. "Bear"    | 14 |
| 7. Gangel    | 13 |
| 8. Housaman  | 13 |
| 9. Krien     | 11 |
| 10. Vaultis  | 10 |

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Marion, Indiana  
Let's Go Roller Skating  
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Open Bowling  
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Friday 4-11 P.M.



Delmar Schwanke (intramural player of the week) shoots as Jimmy Dahl maneuvers Dwight Meier out of position. Wall Roth watches from the foul line.

## Venture For Victory 4 Plans Start Taking Shape

by Don J. Odle

Plans are progressing for the Venture for Victory team's program to South America in the summer of 1956. This squad will assemble here following Commencement and will spend a week on the campus in preparation for their tour. They will be practicing basketball twice a day, studying methods of personal evangelism, receiving briefings and instructions on countries to be visited, and spending time in prayer and fellowship together before beginning the strenuous schedule.

Approximately 15 boys have been contacted for the team and 6 have been chosen. The additional team members will be announced as soon as local clearances are received. Three summer 1955 teammates will be traveling with the squad again, Bob Culp, Joe Grabill and Ken Stark.

The team members have been conducting meetings every week end and now have approximately \$2,500 toward their summer goal. The cost will be approximately \$1,000 per boy for the summer's work.

The center of our work will be in Brazil, however, several different countries will be visited. The time spent in Brazil will be during the cool season and consequently their basketball season. The team is planning to leave the States approximately June 12.

### Intramurals Underway

The third round of the girls basketball intramurals has now been completed with two rounds yet to be played off. The games have been quite peppy, for several of them have ended with only one or two point differences in the final score one game having a final score of 59-58. This latter game was unique in that Sue McCune pushed the individual scoring high way up by making 37 of her team's 59 points. Most of the games have been played with six-minute quarters and no clock stops for either foul shots or jumps.

The following is a run-down of wins and losses for each team.

TEAM	W	L
2nd Swallow Robin	2	1
3rd Swallow Robin	2	0
2nd Magee	2	0
3rd Magee	1	1
4th Magee	0	2

Round number 4 will take place Monday, March 5 from 8-10 p.m., and round number 5 Thursday, March 8 from 8-10 p.m.

## Sports Reports

by Martin Hess

Now that basketball has terminated for Taylor's cage teams, sports fans are focusing their attention upon the possibilities of our spring sports. Despite the opposition of "Old Man Weather" Coach Fleser's baseball squad and Coach Craven's thinclads are working out in Maytag Gym in preparation for a strenuous schedule ahead. Although prospects appear quite favorable at the present time, no one seems willing to make any predictions.

Although basketball has ceased for Taylor, it is still the highlight for the sports fans of Indiana. A glance at the scoreboards and records turns one's attention upon high school ball and the Crispus Attucks. With a new state record of 39 consecutive wins, plus the elimination of several leading contenders, the Attucks are overwhelmingly favored to win the state championship again this year.

Special attention all season has been given to Oscar Robertson of Attucks, who recently established a new scoring record of 62 points in one game. Hoosier Conference fans are well acquainted with his brother, Bailey Robertson, who set a state seasonal record of 664 points, eclipsing the old mark held by Don Schlunt of Indiana U. Perhaps the sports question of the year for Hoosier Conference coaches will be "Will Central Get Oscar?"

National attention is still upon the stunning upset of Ohio State over Illinois. The sensational aspect of the game was the sharpshooting of Freeman of Ohio State who poured in 43 points to lead his team to victory—a decided contrast to the 12 he collected in their last encounter at Illinois. This is undoubtedly an indication of what effect the sportsmanship of fans can have upon the caliber of play of a team under tremendous pressure.

An interesting sidelight in pro basketball has been the jinx of the Syracuse Nationals over the Fort Wayne Zollner Pistons. The Pistons have now lost 24 games in a row on the Nats' home court.



## Gossip -- What Shall We Do About It?

by Kay Brenneman

"You'll find that everywhere!" "We all do it; everyone does it!" "It's only natural!" And with such a "nothing-can-be-done-about-it" attitude, we continue to disregard the rights and feelings of others, and disobey the teachings of our Lord.

The thing that is most perplexing to me is that I have found gossiping and backbiting to be so prevalent among Christians; yes, I'm afraid it is even true of those who live in the dormitories and faculty homes on the campus at Taylor University.

What is the reason for this? I've asked that question many times. I sometimes wonder if some Christians have so conscientiously disciplined themselves and overemphasized negative aspects of the Christian life, that they have little else to do but criticize, judge and condemn others who, in their opinion, have not yet reached their said "state of perfection." Every difference in manner of walking, dressing, acting and talking is interpreted as a reflection on their character when in reality it is probably nothing more than a personality idiosyncrasy. Are not the accusers

also guilty of breaking God's law, or do we ignore such verses as Matt. 7:1 and Rom. 14: 4, 10, 13, where we are repeatedly exhorted to "judge not." God evidently does not consider gossiping to be a trivial matter, for in Rom 1:28-32, whispers and backbiters are included in the list of those who are "filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, murder, etc."

I would hate to think that Christians spread malicious gossip with the sole purpose of hurting others. But, whatever the intentions be, the same outcome is inevitable. In Prov. 18:8 we read, "The words of a talebearer are as wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of the belly."

Perhaps YOU never bear "tales," only the truth! First, I'd challenge you to prove beyond all doubt that you know the whole truth before you repeat it. Next, I'd ask, "Suppose it is the truth? What do you gain by passing it on?" I am reminded of Dr. Lacour's statement: "You can't throw mud without having dirty hands." Finally, I'd ask, "Is there any risk of any one's being hurt?" I can name at least twenty-five fellows, girls and faculty members, whom I have known in only 3½ years to suffer much heartache, and the loss of a good name, needlessly. Some left the campus, unsaved, to go back to their non-Christian friends who are honest enough

to tell YOU your faults and not everyone else. Others left, having been saved from lives of habitual sin, yet defeated in living a victorious life because of those who criticized their shortcomings. How different things might have been if Christians had forsaken their sense of spiritual superiority and shown sincere Christian love and understanding, above and beyond their Christian "duty."

Yes, some were guilty; perhaps they were guilty of things you just "can't excuse." Were you ever faced with the same decisions? What would you have done in the same circumstances? Perhaps you should be thankful that God has spared you from such temptations! If God, in all His perfectness is "ready to pardon, gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and great kindness" (Neh. 9:17) who are we to condemn anyone?

Something must be done if we are to be effectively Christian. We all realize it, we all talk about it, yet, true to the attitude reflected in the opening paragraph, we are doing nothing! I believe this "malignant cancer" can be cured! I grant you—it won't be easy; the temptation to elevate oneself by knocking the other fellow down, is just as real as any other. But we're forgetting God's promise in I Cor. 10:13, "who will with the temptation also make a way to escape." Let's take God at His word, and individually discipline ourselves until we have overcome this harmful habit.

Did you ever stand alone in a large group of your friends to speak a good word for someone whom they are mercilessly slandering? Why not try it? It might prove interesting to learn of people's desirable traits!

## You Can Date and Stay Single

by Lois Bemis

Man is a kind of creature that's extremely unhappy whenever he is separated from a group of his fellows. He is especially unhappy if he must endure the terrible torture of being compelled to associate with the other species called woman. Perhaps this statement is not true in all areas of this world, but it certainly seems to be the situation here on the Taylor campus.

### Few Boys Date

We're exaggerating, of course, but it is possible, if we keep a constant lookout, to see a fellow who is brave enough to break away from the group and dare to ask a girl for a date. In fact, things can't be entirely hopeless, because there are several couples on campus that are either going steady or are engaged. But it does seem an awful pity that just about the only couples we see at public affairs are these "settled" ones. The situation has gotten so bad that once upon a time a new girl was heard to remark, "What's the matter with these fellows? All they ever do is look at you; they never ask you for a date."

As a matter of fact, fellows, we girls are not lurking in the corners, trying to trap some poor, unwary male—we aren't even trying to be social butterflies. All we really want is to get to know you a little better. We're sure that if you give us a halfway decent chance to show you what we're like, you'd find out that most of us are pretty decent companions. You might even decide to become friends with a few of us.

Naturally, someone always has an excuse right here. Probably the first one is that you don't have much money to spend on dates and girls. Well, it might be possible that we could understand this—one or two of us has been known to have a part-time job on campus, too. In fact, we'd even understand if you would prefer not to spend a slew of money on dates. Still there are a lot of things offered here that don't cost much, and remember there is such a thing as "dutch dating."

### Girls Just Want Friendship

Another excuse is that the girls band around, and that it seems almost impossible to get one away from her friends long enough to talk a little. Actually, if you really tried talking to us, you'd probably find that we aren't really going out of our way to avoid you. Rather we're just trying to avoid being called "man crazy." Maybe the reason we form little groups is that we just want some girl-friends.

However, we think boys are pretty nice people, so we wouldn't object at all to having a few of them for friends.

### Magic Flute

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Every effort is being made by the Fine Arts Division to give the presentation of Mozart's "The Magic Flute" a theatrical quality that will measure up to the high standards of musical excellence set by members of the cast and by Professor Skinner, who will conduct the performance. A technical crew made up of faculty members, students and Professor Richard Fosse, who is serving as production manager, has been working on production details for the opera for many weeks.

The quasi-Egyptian set for the second act of the opera was designed by David Wells, and the decoration of the set was executed by Professor Jack Patton, who also designed the set for the first act. Professor Gentry Crisp gave technical assistance in the construction of the sets. Janet Burris and Kenneth Zigmund also assisted in the decoration of the sets.

Properties for the opera were designed and executed by Professor Fosse, with the assistance of Dan Arensmier. Every effort has been directed toward making the sets and properties as sumptuous and theatrical as possible.

The elaborate costumes for the opera were designed by Myra Mende, a freshman. Working with her in the creation of the costumes have been a number of other freshmen, all of whom have been assigned a specific costume. Phyllis Hamilton was in charge of Monostatos' costume, Janis Billingsly, that of Tamino, Patsy Burkhart, Sarastro and Sandra Moore, that of the Queen of the Night. The costumes for the two comedy roles of Papageno and Papagena were made by Linda Lowery and Beverly Johnson. Beverly Johnson was assisted by Marilyn Adams with the costumes for the Three Ladies and Myra Mende made the all-important costume for Pamina.

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